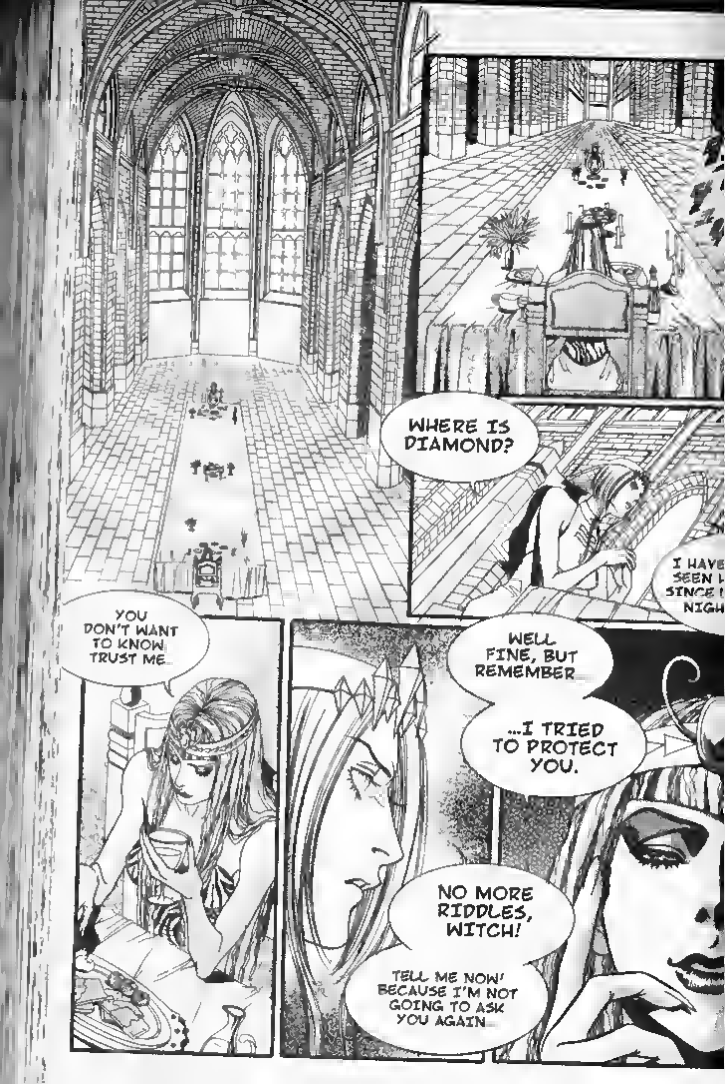
WHAT'S GOING ON?
HOW MUCH DOES SHE KNOW ABOUT ME?
I WON'T LET YOU GO.
EVER.

DON'T TOUCH ME! EVER!
LAZULI, I'VE WAITED FOR YOU TO OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME.
BUT YOU ALWAYS SHUT ME OUT
.....

MHGH!
FINE. FIGHT ME.
FIGHT AS HARD AS YOU CAN.

NO!!

I FEEL SO POWERLESS. I COULDN'T PROTECT MYSELF.
I COULDN'T STOP HIM. JUST LIKE WHEN HE -
MOM AND DAD, I'M SORRY...


WHERE IS DIAMOND?
I HAVE SEEN SINCE NIGH
YOU DON'T WANT TO KNOW. TRUST ME.
WELL FINE, BUT REMEMBER...
...I TRIED TO PROTECT YOU.
NO MORE RIDDLES, WITCH!
TELL ME NOW! BECAUSE I'M NOT GOING TO ASK YOU AGAIN...

DIAMOND! HOW COULD YOU?
HOW COULD YOU... HURT ME... SO BADLY...

WAH HA HA HA!
HA HA HA!
MISERABLE LITTLE BITCH! I'LL SHRED YOUR SKIN AND FEED IT TO MY DOGS! JUST START PRAYING FOR A QUICK DEATH NOW, AND MAYBE THE GODS WILL SHOW YOU THE MERCY OF A THUNDERBOLT
BECAUSE YOU WON GET THA TENDERNE FROM ME

YOU SUMMONED ME MILADY?
EH
THIS WITCH, ESMERAUD SHE MUST HAVE A WEAKNESS. FIND IT.

INSTEAD OF GETTING DIRT UNDER MY NAILS...
DIAMOND, I'LL NEVER LET HER TAKE YOU AWAY.
YOU'RE MINE. DON'T YOU REMEMBER?
...I'LL BORROW THE HANDS THAT BROUGHT ME THIS MISERY

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, DIAMOND?
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO?
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU FOR ALMOST A WEEK! CAN'T YOU EVEN SAY "HELLO"?
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YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS ALL THREE OF YOU...

SHARY, I'M SORRY I TRIED TO HELP YOU. I HOPE YOU'RE OKAY.

PANT
PANT
YOU HAVEN'T TOUCHED OUR FOOD NOT EVEN HE WATER..

I CAN'T BELIEVE I'VE BEEN REDUCED TO THIS! I'M SHAKING IN FEAR OF HIM!
AND I THOUGHT I WAS STRONG ENOUGH TO SAVE THIS WORLD!
I JUSTIFIED THE DEATHS OF MY FRIENDS AS SACRIFICES TO THE FUTURE! I'M A FRAUD! A JOKE!
HEH HEH HEH!
?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

ARRRRRGH!!!
DO YOU...
HATE ME THAT MUCH?
MY TOUCH CAUSES YOU THAT MUCH PAIN?

I LOVE YOU...
BECAUSE I HATE YOU TOO.
YOU CLOSE YOURSELF OFF TO ME. NO MATTER HOW HARD I TRY. THE CLOSER I TRY TO GET TO YOU THE HARDER YOU PUSH ME AWAY!

I LOST SOMETHING WHEN I WAS A CHILD.
MY MOTHER AND FATHER WERE KILLED BEFORE MY EYES I THOUGHT I'D LOST THE SKY AND THE EARTH
I WAS RAISED AS A PRINCE, A KING-TO-BE...
...BUT AFTER THEY WERE GONE, I WAS JUST A SCARED LITTLE KID, WITH NO ONE TO TURN TO
TO SURVIVE...
...JUST TO EAT, I SOLD MY BODY.
BUT WHAT I'D REALLY LOST WERE MY CHILDISH NOTIONS OF FAIR PLAY -- JUSTICE -- THE POWER OF THE GODS
I REALIZED THAT STRENGTH, POWER, IS THE ONLY WAY TO ASSURE YOUR SURVIVAL.

I FOUND THAT IF I COULD AMASS ENOUGH POWER, THE WHOLE WORLD WAS WITHIN MY GRASP.
AND I DIDN'T STOP UNTIL IT WAS.
BUT...
... I STILL CAN'T HAVE WHAT I REALLY WANT!
WHY?
WHY DO YOU HATE ME SO MUCH? WHY CAN'T YOU LOVE ME LIKE I LOVE YOU?

SO, NOW THE MOST POWERFUL MAN IN THE WORLD IS CRYING AT MY FEET?
HE'S OPENED HIMSELF TO ME LIKE A BOOK... AND THIS MAN OF ICE HAS SHOWN ME THE FIRE THAT BURNS INSIDE
HAVE I WOUNDED HIM DEEPLY ENOUGH?
THE STRANGE THING IS...

...MY
HEART
BURNS
FOR HIS.

Esmeraud

A wicked and brutal witch.
In her 300 years,
She has yet to learn
compassion.